



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D C 20463

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RE: MUR 5638
William Abbott
Bill Abbott For Preserving American Jobs
and Sarah Ruth Rehmel, in her official capacity as
treasurer

Dear Mr. Towe and Mr. Groth:

On September 13, 2006, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that your client, William Abbott, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a), and your clients Bill Abbott For Preserving American Jobs and Sarah Ruth Rehmel, in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) and 434(b), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action and closed its file as to these Respondents.

The Commission reminds your clients that the Act prohibits candidates and political committees from accepting contributions from a labor organization. Your clients should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future. In addition, the Act requires that committee treasurers report all receipts and disbursements. Your clients should comply with this requirement in the future.

The Commission reminds you that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed, at which time you will be sent a copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report. Additionally, a Statement of Reasons setting forth the basis for the Commission's decision will be forthcoming.

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If you have any questions, please contact Claire N. Rajan, the attorney assigned to this matter,
at (202) 694-1650 or (800) 424-9530.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. E. Toner".

Michael E. Toner
Chairman

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